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Prelim Slated Tentatively in Knifing Case

Preliminary hearing is tentatively set for tomorrow for Alvin Leo Osborne, 41, accused of two counts of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to commit murder in the recent knifing of his ex-wife and her husband in north Torrance.

Detectives here said if Russell Hillman, 42, who is in critical condition at Harbor General Hospital with knife wounds in the abdomen, is not strong enough to testify, the hearing will be put off.

Hillman and his wife, Lois, 40, of 18920 Felbar Ave., were attacked Sept. 13 by Osborne, police say.

Mrs. Hillman received painful facial cuts, while Hillman had to undergo emergency surgery to save him. Osborne raged into the kitchen knife attack reportedly after the Hillmans refused to eat a chicken he had cooked.

Osborne currently is being held on \$25,000 bail at County Jail.

Detectives Wrap Up Case For Hermosa Police

Quick action by local detectives practically wrapped up an attack case yesterday for Hermosa police.

When a Santa Monica housewife, cut and beaten, was dumped off at a local physician's office about 4 a. m., detectives here were called in. The woman said she had been raped and beaten by a trio of men in a trailer, but she was not sure of the locale.

Sgt. T. A. Morris and Det. Mickey Fischer took over investigation for the local department and by mid-day Fischer had determined the place of attack as Hermosa Beach. Although the trio told the woman they would kill her and her husband if she went to police, Hermosa authorities were expected to pick up the three men late yesterday.

Fischer said here that the woman was severely beaten and five stitches were needed to close a wound on her face. She reportedly met the three in a bar.

Footballer Dies After Practice

Richard Anderson, 16-year-old San Pedro High footballer, died Thursday apparently of injuries sustained while making a tackle during varsity football practice at the harbor area high school.

Police reported that young Anderson became unconscious on the practice field shortly after tackling another player. He died less than three hours later after being rushed to the San Pedro Community Hospital.

Members of the hospital staff stated that the probable cause of death was due to head injuries.

San Pedro started its eight-game schedule with Dorsey High on Friday night.

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Industry Forms New Division

Formation of a new division to engineer, fabricate, and erect aluminum structures has been announced by Harvey Machine Co. Appointed to organize Harvey Aluminum Structures is Dr. J. Morley English, eminent structures authority.

"This is the first time that aluminum structural comparable in size and cost to structural steel (e.g. wide flange beams over 16" in depth) have been made available for immediate delivery. The result of years of study and development, aluminum structures are now possible because of Harvey's 8000- and 12,000-ton extrusion presses... presses that rank among the world's largest structural producing equipment," said English.

The structures division will headquarter at the Harvey plant here and will use the metallurgical, production, and fabrication facilities of Harvey Aluminum, a major aluminum producer.

Consultants Ready
"A special structural engineering department has been created to offer technical assistance to structural engineers, architects, contractors, and builders who want to adapt their structures to aluminum. Our consulting group is ready to demonstrate the new design concepts made practical with aluminum extruded shapes and how to utilize the multiple advantages of the metal," commented English.

Initially, Harvey will engineer and fabricate structural aluminum for bridge structures, monumental signs, power sub-stations, transmission towers, large buildings, marquees, warehouses, and related structural installations incorporating unusually large spans. Structures are available as bolted units for field erection.

Advantage in Weight
According to English, with aluminum one-third the weight of steel, the advantages of light weight are compounded for movable structures and obviously facilitate the erection of permanent structures. Other advantages offered by aluminum structures include design availability, superior corrosion resistance, and lower foundation costs due to reduced weight.

A Noted Educator
On leave from the University of California at Los Angeles where he is associate professor of engineering, Dr. English has had an imposing career as educator, consultant, and supervisor in civil and structural engineering. He has been a research staff member of the California Institute of Technology and the University of Southern California, an engineering supervisor and consultant to Boeing and Lockheed, consultant to the U. S. Navy, a representative of the British Air Commission, and consultant on numerous structural engineering projects of major importance in the nation.

Dr. English received a B.A.Sc. from the University of British Columbia, an M.S. from the University of Southern California, and a Ph.D. from the University of California at Los Angeles.

He is a member of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences, American Society of Civil Engineers, Structural Engineers Association of California and past chairman of the research committee, the American Society for Engineering Education, Sigma Xi, Phi Kappa Phi, and Tau Beta Pi.

County to Buy Old Mine Area For Dump Site

The Board of Supervisors and the County Sanitation District have decided to purchase a 150-acre site just south of Walkerville to establish a major county land reclamation dump.

The property, owned by the Great Lakes Carbon Co., will be purchased for approximately \$1,122,000.

Area for the combustible and non-combustible rubbish disposal grounds include about half of the old dicalite mine pit south of Torrance. The dump is expected to be in operation next summer or early fall about the time the ban on backyard incinerators becomes effective. It will serve the southwest section of the county and will probably be used in the near future by Torrance.

Lomita Property Owners To Meet

The Property Owners and Registered Voters Assn. of Lomita met recently at the George Sands home to plan future activities and to discuss a report submitted by Guy Halferty to the Citizens Committee for Incorporation of the area.

The report dealt with the sidewalk issue, on which the group backing incorporation had been asked a number of questions by residents. The question on whether to incorporate has been battled around by Lomitans for the past two months.

Future activities of the Property Owners and Registered Voters group will include a meeting next month, at which Vincent Thomas and Louis A. Gretz, State Legislature Representative, will speak.

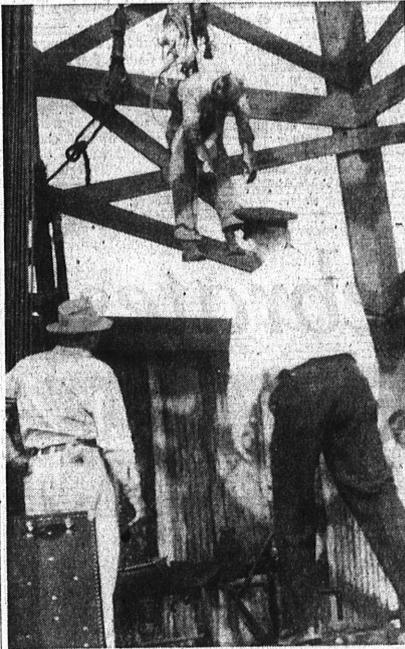
Square Dance Class Opens Here Tuesday

Adult square dance classes will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 25, in the Torrance Municipal Auditorium at El Prado and Cravens.

The classes will be held from 8 to 10:30 p. m. and will be under the direction of a well-known square dance caller, Gerry Reeser. This class will continue through the spring, and will progress from beginning formations through intermediate and advanced steps. The nominal fee of 50 cents per person is charged for each class.

Graduates of this class are welcome to join the "Cornstompers," a local square dance club which meets twice a month and is also sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department.

Registration blanks for the beginning class can be obtained at the Recreation Department office, 3031 Torrance Blvd., or at the Municipal Auditorium on either Sept. 25 or Oct. 2 during the classes.



LOWER VICTIM... A fireman and oil worker rush to aid stricken James Roomsburg as he is lowered by cable to floor of oil derrick here after suffering heart attack Friday. Help was too late, however, as victim was dead on arrival at hospital. He fell after suffering attack at top of derrick, but safety belt held him suspended high above ground.

Worker Stricken On Oil Derrick

Funeral services are slated tomorrow at 1 p. m. at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary for 61-year-old James Austin Roomsburg, an oil worker, who died Friday morning after suffering a heart attack while working on an oil rig one block south of Sepulveda Blvd., near Pennsylvania Ave.

The victim was working at the top of the oil rig tower when he was seized by the attack. Melvin Killingsworth, a fellow worker, said he was working on the floor of the derrick when he saw Roomsburg's hat drift to the ground. He looked up to see the stricken man clinging to a rafter, Killingsworth said. Seconds later he fell, but was kept hanging in mid-air by his safety belt.

Aid Rushed
Police and Fire Department units rushed to the scene to aid the stricken worker, but he was pronounced dead on arrival at Harbor General Hospital.

The victim lived at 21098 Hawthorne Blvd., with his wife, Verna. He is survived also by two sisters, Mrs. W. H. Hawthorne and Mrs. Nora Guawain, both of Texas.

Second Tragedy
The Rev. Elmer Prout, of the Torrance Church of Christ, will officiate at tomorrow's rites. Burial will take place at the Pacific Crest Cemetery. It was the second tragedy in recent years to plague the

Temperatures

The following daily temperatures were recorded in Torrance last week at the fire department main station:

	Low	High
Sunday	49	91
Monday	60	83
Tuesday	58	78
Wednesday	55	80
Thursday	56	79
Friday	52	79
Saturday	60	77

Visitor Is Drowned Here

A 45-year-old Colorado housewife drowned Friday afternoon at Torrance Beach, just minutes after she left a relative to go wading, police reported.

Glady L. Merrill, who told her mother-in-law she was going wading at the beach, is the victim. Her body was found by William Peters, of 1022 4th St., Hermosa.

The Halverson-Leavell Mortuary is handling funeral arrangements. Officials there said yesterday the body will be shipped to Colorado for burial.

Oil Workers Vote to Back School Issue

Support for the proposed school tax override and state aid participation measure which will be voted on here Oct. 9 has been voted by the members of the Oil Chemical and Atomic Workers' International, it was reported yesterday by Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of the Torrance Unified School District.

Notice of the union's support of the school measures was received by the school this week from Richard T. Baumann, secretary-treasurer of Local 1-519 of the OCAW, Hull said.

Other groups which have voted to support the measures have included several PTAs, the El Nido Civic Assn., the Woman's Club executive board, and other civic groups.

Bank Moved To 101 Site

Location of one of the two proposed branch offices of the First Western Bank and Trust Co. for Torrance has been changed from Hawthorne and Sepulveda to Hawthorne and Pacific Coast Hwy., it was reported in Sacramento this week.

An announcement by William A. Burkett, superintendent of banks for California, noted the location change without comment.

Plans of the banking firm to establish two branches in Torrance—one at Sepulveda Blvd. and Hawthorne and the other in the downtown section of Torrance, were first reported in the HERALD on Sept. 6. At that time, J. Arthur Taylor, vice chairman of the bank's board of directors and its senior executive in Southern California, said First Western was awaiting state approval for the two branches.

Burkett's announcement also revealed plans of the Bank of Los Angeles at Westwood for a new branch in the vicinity of the intersection of Redondo Beach Blvd. and Crenshaw in Torrance.

Members of the commission

Three Boys Jailed In Burglary Wave

Acting on a tip from sheriff's deputies, detectives arrested three teen-aged boys here last week on burglary and theft charges and in doing so broke a five-month house burglary wave in Torrance.

Det. Sgt. T. A. Morris, assisted by Detectives Mickey Fischer and Don Hamilton, cleared up 10 house burglaries and other raids in nabbing the boys.

Deputies at Lennox Sheriff's Station notified authorities here they had a Torrance boy in custody, whom they had caught trying to steal a car. The boy was returned here and interrogated by authorities to break the case.

Take Revolver
The youngsters allegedly took various articles from homes here, including a revolver from a residence at 804 Beech St. In addition, they broke into the Torrance Police Range and made several other illegal entries, detectives said.

The boys, directed officers to a culvert beneath railroad tracks near Dominguez and Crenshaw Blvd., where authorities recovered a .22 caliber rifle. The rifle was Morris', taken in the range burglary. Two hundred rounds of .22 ammunition also were found under the culvert.

More Loot
The youngsters then led officers to an open field north of Oak St. and its intersection with Pacific Coast Hwy., in Lomita. A jacket, with ammunition in a pocket, was found here, while the revolver taken from the Beech Ave. address and 450 more rounds of ammunition were found in a field in the Rolling Hills area.

Authorities are continuing their investigation of the case.

Residents Rap Highway Zoning

A petition to rezone the highway frontage in the Hollywood Riviera section of Torrance for commercial use was discussed at length at the first public hearing on the matter before the city's planning commission here Wednesday evening.

A sizeable delegation of area residents protested the requested zone change, which was instituted by Theodore F. Verrell of Santa Monica, owner of three lots on the highway.

Among the residents appearing to protest the change was Robert C. Herrick, representing the Hollywood Riviera Homeowners Assn., who said his organization had voted to oppose the rezoning.

About 10 other Riviera residents spoke up against the measure at the Wednesday hearing. Further hearings are scheduled before the group.

Members of the commission

Work Starts On New Plant In Torrance

Construction has started on the new million-dollar Vickers Manufacturing Inc. plant at 3201 Lomita Blvd.

Upon completion of the concern, manufacturers of hydraulic power transmissions, will employ approximately 650 area residents. The 98,000-square-foot building is being constructed on a 10-acre site and occupancy has been set for March, 1957.

Vickers Manufacturing was founded in Los Angeles in 1920 by Harry F. Vickers, pioneer hydraulic engineer. In 1937 Vickers merged with the Sperry Corp., which in turn merged with Remington-Rand in 1955 to form the present Sperry-Rand Corp.

Expansion of the company in recent years has been so great as to warrant the establishment of plants in Michigan, Connecticut, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Missouri, Mississippi and California.

Chamber Studies Applications For Manager

Applications for a new manager for the Torrance Chamber of Commerce are still being studied by directors following the sudden resignation of Manager Tom Watson last Tuesday.

President John A. Ebbinghouse has reported that a number of applications for the position are under consideration, and that an announcement will be made soon.

Watson submitted his resignation last week after he was called to Texas by a family emergency. He advised the Chamber directors that his continued presence was necessary for an indefinite period of time, and that he felt he should resign from his Torrance post.

During the 18 months Watson has been with the Torrance Chamber of Commerce he became closely associated with the business life of the city and was instrumental in developing promotional activities for the city and for the Retail Merchants' Division of the Chamber. He also worked with city officials and other groups in bringing new industrial and commercial establishments to Torrance.

Before joining the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, Watson was a member of the staff of the United States Chamber of Commerce.

Residents Rap Highway Zoning

Recommended to the Council is an M-1 zone for the entire area, which would require a minimum of 10,000 square feet if used for residential purposes. The commission noted that a number of attractive offers for light manufacturing developments in the area have been received since annexation earlier this year.

The commission also recommended that the Council bar building within 100 feet of Torrance Blvd. center line to give room for landscaping and off-street parking for any developments on that thoroughfare.

A third public hearing, probably about Oct. 9, will be held before the City Council.

Hearing Stated On Master Plan Of City Airport

Details of the proposed airport master plan will be explained at a public meeting of the city's airport commission at the city hall beginning at 8 p. m. next Thursday evening, Sept. 27, it has been announced by Commission Chairman Jack E. White.

The meeting was called to answer questions of homeowners in the area just west of the airport property which is included in the expansion plans for the airport.

Copies of the plan will be available at the meeting for inspection, and members of the commission will be prepared to answer questions regarding the plans to put the proposal into action, White said.



GETTING THE GAVEL... Chuck Scott (right), new president of the Walteria Kiwanis Club, accepts the gavel from President Joe Bellante during their meeting this week. Scott will not take office until January but Bellante thought he should know how it feels to hold the gavel ahead of time.